

TO-DAY'S NEWS IN BRIEF.

WASHINGTON.
Marshall Boyle may continue in office until July 1. No decision as to his successor has been reached.

LOCAL AND SUBURBAN.
Prisoner attempts suicide at the Fourth District Police Station.
John Radford, a huckster, commits suicide in the river.
John Sawyer, 6 years old, visits the World's Fair, alone, and his absence caused his parents much anxiety.
Mrs. John Hays Hammond, sister of St. Louis woman, presented to King Edward of England.

Spruce Street Mission holds services in honor of birthday of a patron.
The Reverend Doctor Gregg thinks that great subterranean convulsions, such as that at Martinique, are signs.

Girls of Washington University issue current number of the "Duchol."
Methodists begin revival meetings in tent on North Market street.

Colonel Ed Butler, charged with attempt to bribe, will ask change of venue.

Sister Mary Catherine Carney celebrates her golden jubilee as a Carmelite.

Grand Lodge of Missouri, Odd Fellows, in its annual session, beginning in St. Louis to-morrow, will discuss change of ritual.

Children of the South St. Louis Turner School had their annual picnic at Lempi's Park yesterday.

Louise F. Elder of No. 228 Copelin avenue, whose body was cremated yesterday, died from the effect of a cold which she contracted while wearing a low-cut dress.

The new Jewish hospital at No. 543 Delmar avenue, was formally dedicated.

Lena Lekare, 4 years old, was run down by a Spring avenue car at Seventh and Wash streets.

Summer garden season opens with good program, presented to large crowds of pleasure seekers.

James Reynolds, a showman from Marine, Ill., is stabbed through the heart and killed in a fight at Creve Coeur Lake.

Anton Stuever purchased ten acres of land adjoining Forest Park Highlands, at a cost of \$30,000.

A small car on the scenic railway at Forest Park Highlands jumped the track, but none of the passengers were seriously hurt.

GENERAL DOMESTIC.
Yesterday was the hottest day of the season at Chicago.

Czar's cousin may visit the United States. The United States' right to the Sulu Islands questioned.

Ambassador Pauncefote is much improved.

Beaumont Oil Exchange issues a statement.

Senator Hanna hopes to check the spread of socialism in the United States by bringing about industrial peace.

The Rochambeau party may extend its visit to America for several days.

It is believed that the National Civic Federation is preparing to open negotiations for the settlement of the Eastern coal strike.

The appropriations made by Congress at this session foot up \$750,000,000.

The Presbyterian ministers attending the General Assembly occupied the New York pulpit Sabbath morning.

FOREIGN.
An anarchist plot against King Alfonso has been discovered. Gabriel Lopez, had been selected to dynamite the royal carriage in procession. The would-be assassin and six conspirators are under arrest. Nine cartridges have been confiscated.

Emperor William is expected to present a statue of Frederick the Great to the United States was formed quite suddenly.

Two officers of the German Cadet Institute have been authorized by the Emperor to accept the invitation to visit West Point.

SPORTING.
McGregor, Ia., was visited by a terrific electric storm, which wrecked three brick buildings.

A heavy rainstorm visited Southern Kansas, and for a time there was a scare over a tornado, but no serious damage resulted, so far as known. A cloudburst is reported in Kingfisher County.

A cloudburst at Sparta, Wis., carried away three bridges and did heavy damage generally.

After a stormy game, the Cardinals won from Brooklyn by the score of 6 to 5.

At Chicago the Browns and White Sox battled for seventeen innings, darkness ending the game.

The Kindergarten Stakes, to be run next Saturday, will be the next Fair Grounds feature.

James J. Corbett picks Jeffries to defeat Fitzsimmons.

Marine Intelligence.
New York, May 18.—Arrived: Algeria, Leghorn and Naples; Cyprus, Rotterdam and Queenstown. Departed: Rotterdam and Boulogne; Roma, Marseilles and Naples.

Gibraltar, May 18.—Pinned: Bolivia, Naples for New York.

Moville, May 18.—Arrived: Tunisian, Montreal and Quebec for Liverpool (en route).

Liverpool, May 18.—Arrived: Georgia, New York.

Naples, May 18.—Arrived: Vancouver, Boston, via Genoa for Alexandria.

Gibraltar, May 18.—Arrived: Lahn, New York for Genoa and Naples and proceeded.

Moville, May 18.—Sailed: Columbia, from Glasgow for New York.

Queenstown, May 18.—Sailed: Umbria (from Liverpool), New York.

THINKS ERUPTIONS SHOULD BE WARNING

The Reverend Doctor Gregg Says Earthquakes Are Signs and Fulfilled Prophecies.

TO PRECEDE CHRIST'S RETURN.

One Passage in Bible Indicates That Great Upheavals Are Satan's Death Throes.

That earthquakes are signs of spiritual significance to the world and will precede the coming of Christ was the theme of the sermon delivered yesterday evening by the Reverend Harris H. Gregg, at the Washington and Compton Avenue Presbyterian Church. The minister calls attention to the fact that at one place in the Scriptures it is indicated that great convulsions, such as that at Martinique, and the destruction caused by them, are the evil wrought by Satan in his death throes.

The topic was suggested by the still continuing eruption in the West Indies, during which the city of St. Pierre was destroyed and a large area of two islands devastated. This tremendous display of subterranean forces should, in the opinion of Doctor Gregg, be considered as a warning by the nations, since such things, according to the Scripture, are to immediately precede the return of Jesus of Nazareth.

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St. Pierre has been destroyed by the terrible eruption of Mount Pelée. But Paris ceases not in its revelry of unbelief. Nero still sits in the Twentieth Century while Rome burns. The authorities in St. Pierre said that there was no danger, and prevented the people from leaving the city.

The text was found in Matthew xxviii. 2: "There was a great earthquake." Through-out the Gospels and Old Testament Doctor Gregg finds an analogy between prophecies of destruction and earthquakes.

He said, in part: "When Christ died under the judgment of the world's sin, and the curse upon the earth, it is to set upon the throne of the temple was rent in twain from the top to the bottom; and the earth did quake and the rocks rent." And when Christ arose from the dead and destroyed the power of death and the grave, it is noted, "Behold, there was a great earthquake."

"When the Bible foretells great political, social, commercial, national and religious revolutions, it also announces great convulsions in nature as accompanying signs to men of the fulfilled prophecy. Thus, when Christ prophesies that, during his absence from the earth, there would be wars, nation shall rise against nation, he also prophesied that there shall be famines and pestilences and earthquakes in divers places."

"Christ and his prophets declare that preceding his return in glory to this earth, there will be great convulsions in nature as signs of his coming. Now is come salvation and strength, and the kingdom of our God and the power of his Christ. Now to the inhabitants of the earth and the sea; for the devil has come down unto you, having great wrath, because he knoweth that he hath but a short time."

Wash Grenadine—20 styles in linen color, cool lacy grenadine, 40c and 45c per yard.

Dimities—McBride's Irish Dimities—460 designs, not more than one or two dress lengths of each, spots, figures, stripes, solids in every color, 25c per yard.

Batiste—Over a thousand new styles of printed and solid, on view to-day—at 12½c and 15c per yard.

A thousand styles in Oxfords and Madras

For men's shirts, children's dresses, boys' waists, women's shirt waists—many new patterns—May shipment—15c to \$1.

Ginghams

American Ginghams—10c and 12½c; Anderson's Scotch Ging-

Broadway, Olive and Locust Sts.

Scruggs Vandervoort & Bailey

St. Louis, Missouri.

Important Sale of Shirt Waists

5,000 Fine White Shirt Waists at Just About Half Price

This season's latest styles, fresh new goods, all sizes, 32 to 42.

Will be on sale tables on Second Floor this morning.

Foulards and Liberty Satins

At Very Small Prices

Assorted designs and colorings—have been selling at 85 cents and \$1.00—will make up beautifully into shirt-waist suits.

Reduced to 65 Cents

One limited assortment of 27-inch imported foulards, black and white and blue and white—\$1.25 goods.

Reduced to 75 Cents.

150 pieces of the highest grade printed foulard and Liberty satin, the choicest novelty designs, confined to S. V. & B.

\$1 the Yard.

Wool Dress Goods

At Interesting Prices

On view this morning at eight o'clock—fabrics suitable for traveling dresses, street dresses, veiling for gowns and waists, and goods for the always necessary "cool day" dress.

50-in. chevrons in shades of navy at 75c

45-inch wool crepe in all shades, cream and black, at 75c

45-inch two-toned Brazilian Etamine, a very handsome fabric in green, tan, green, at \$1.00

44-inch Nun's veiling, all good colors for street or reception gowns, at \$1.00

46-inch all-wool black veiling, sheer and cool, excellent black, at 75c

44-inch Crepe Mero, a black dress goods that is now popular, at 85c

45-inch black Homespun Etamine, rough effect, at \$1.00

50-inch black Panama Suiting for jacket suits and unlined skirts, at 1.35

Specialties in

Washable Fabrics

Crepe de Mouseline—looks like crepe de chine; embroidered in dots and stripes; primrose, poppy, watermelon, ciel, bronze, dove, lavender, Japanese blue, mauve, Diana green, gray, 45c per yard.

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Fine Lawns, fronts entirely of tucks and insertions, new stock collar, bishop sleeves, \$1.75 waists for \$1.10.

Beautiful fine Waists, back entirely of diagonal tucks and hemstitching, hemstitched stock, tie and wrist band, \$2.75 waists for \$1.65.

Very Thin Sheer Waists, of extra fine insertions and tucks, \$4.50 styles for \$2.75.

Handsome Waists, in tucks front and back, with black velvet ribbon run through insertion in front and at wrist, \$2.75 styles for \$1.65.

Sheer fine India Linen, groups of small tucks between broad ones, fine Swiss insertion between, handsome \$3.00 waists for \$1.95.

Many other beautiful styles. These are high-grade waists from one of the leading makers.

Sale opens at Eight O'Clock.

The New S. V. & B.

Linen Mesh Underwear

This is a new pure linen mesh, made expressly for us—very light, thin and cool. In all sleeve and leg lengths—the thinnest hot weather garment made for men—\$2.75 each garment.

Coats, Bonnets, Overalls

For the wee ones

For 1 and 2 years, White Bedford Coats, braid and ribbon trimming, \$2.00.

White Bedford Coats, fancy braid trimming, \$4.50.

White Serge Short Jackets, silk-lined, \$5.00.

Hand-scaled White Pique Coat, square collar and belt, \$7.50.

Gibson Coat of Blue Linen, with white pique and white braid trimming for 2-year size, \$6.50.

Girls' Overalls of blue denim, trimmed with red, 75c.

Nice Petticoats

At Small Prices

Very stylish Chambray Skirts with scalloped ruffle in oxblood, red and gray, \$1.50.

Gingham Skirts with tucked flounce and foot ruffle, \$1.50.

Black Lawn Skirts, with two hem-stitched flounces, very neat and pretty, \$2.00.

Black Percale, with deep umbrella flounce, \$1.50.

Alpaca Skirts, very light weight for traveling, black and colors, \$3 to \$7.75.

Note—Our Skirts are all thoroughly well made of good material, and the prices quoted for to-day are very low for strictly desirable garments.

Packing Away Time

Calls for Moth Goods

The Moth paper bag, moth-proof and dust-proof, in different sizes, average, 25c to 75c.

Tar paper sheets for wrapping, size 40x48, 6c sheet; 60c dozen.

Camphor moth-balls, in tin size packages, small box, 4c-45c a dozen; large, 7c-75c a dozen.

WHITE GOODS for White Dresses and Shirt Waists greatly reduced.

Dress Suit Cases

Stylish and very durable, made of genuine cowhide leather, harness stitched seams, re-enforced corners, patent snap lock and clasp and 3 back hinges, steel frame, with or without shirt pockets, 22, 24 and 26 inches—All sizes at \$5 each.

Also specially light weight Dress Suit Cases made on aluminum frame, harness stitched, re-enforced, patent spring lock and clasp, brass trimmed, three back hinges—linen, leather and silk lined—the new mauve shade. A Particularly Handsome Case, Price \$10 to \$15.

Tailor Goods Section—Oliver Street Store.

Cut-Price Sale of Housekeeping Linens.

These are our usual high-grade goods—you can depend upon what we say of them. The housekeeper who knows "values" will appreciate this chance and buy quickly.

Hemmed Hackback Towels—Cut Prices

20x36—regular 15c, cut to 12½c

21x43—regular 18c, cut to 15c

20x40—regular 23c, cut to 19c

22x43—regular 30c, cut to 25c

Turkish Towels—Cut Prices

Large unbleached, fringed, 18c, cut to 15c

Large bleached, hemmed, 25c, cut to 20c

Large unbleached, hemmed, 30c, cut to 25c

Large bleached, hemmed, 30c, cut to 25c

Irish Damask—Great Reductions

66-inch bleached, 90c, cut to 75c a yard.

22-inch \$2.25 napkins to match at \$1.85 doz.

72-inch bleached \$1.80 damask at \$1.00.

22-inch napkins to match, \$3 cut to \$2.50 doz.

72-inch fine Irish damask, \$1.85, at \$1.25.

25-inch napkins to match, \$4.25, at \$3.50 doz.

Made-up Sheets—Less than cost of material—Excellent quality of bleached muslin.

72x90 inches, 68c cut to 55c

72x99 inches, 75c cut to 60c

90x90 inches, 85c cut to 65c

90x99 inches, 90c cut to 70c

Short lengths of Sheetings in all widths at half price.

Pillow Cases—25 per cent below price of material.

42x36 and 42x36, fine bleached, our regular 12½c and 13½c cases, cut to 10c.

42x36 fine hemstitched 15c cases, cut to 11½c.

42x36 bleached 15c, cut to 12½c.

42x36 bleached 17c, cut to 14c.

Loose Covers for Furniture

We make a specialty of these and guarantee fit. Our selection of linens includes plain and striped goods and white—estimates furnished on request.



VOLCANO LIGHTED

ALL OF MARTINIQUE; VIOLENT DETONATIONS.

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ship steamed on through thick, hot dust. The screams from the injured became more audible. Some rushed frantically about with their clothes on fire, and large pieces of flesh burned from their arms; others, in their agony laid writhing in the red hot dust.

ONLY SIX OF THE CREW ABLE TO DO DUTY.

"In about two hours the air became gradually clear. An investigation of the casualties on board showed that, besides the captain, who was frightfully injured, only two engineers, two sailors and the boatwain were able to do duty.

"Fire was still burning about the ship and the rigging was in flames. The captain decided to try to reach the island of St. Lucia, forty-five miles distant. This he succeeded in doing by 6 o'clock on the evening of May 8. The steamer was difficult to handle owing to the partially disabled crew. The vessel could not be made to work properly. In the time occupied on his terrible voyage the experience of the survivors was still worse than already gone through.

ON THE RED-HOT DECK.

"The brave captain and his few men fighting the fire, exhausted and scalded, struggled and worked trying to do something to assist their dying shipmates. Those working below strived to keep up the steam. The captain, suffering the greatest agony, succeeded in navigating his vessel safely to the port of Catres, St. Lucia, with eighteen dead bodies lying on the deck and human limbs scattered about. A sailor stood by constantly wiping the captain's injured eyes. I think the performance of the Roddam's captain was most wonderful, and the more so when I saw his pitiful condition. I do not understand how he kept up; yet when the steamer arrived at St. Lucia, and medical assistance was procured, this brave man asked the doctors to attend to the others first and refused to be treated until this was done.

"My interview with the captain brought out this account. I left him in good spirits and receiving every comfort. The sight of his face would frighten any one not prepared to see it. We sailed from St. Lucia on the morning of May 11, and at 2 o'clock in the afternoon passed the island of Martinique. The weather was perfectly clear and we had a good view of that part of the island which had suffered by the volcanic eruption a few days before. The formation of the island is quite altered, and the whole northern part, where the town of St. Pierre once stood, is covered with a mass of ashes and lava.

"At about 2:30 o'clock as the Etoua was passing the island, a tremendous upshoot of smoke and dust took place, and in a few moments the ship was covered with fine dust and cement. We were about three miles distant from the island at the time. The ship's engines were put under full speed,

and for a time considerable anxiety was felt on board. For an hour or two the ship was covered with dust, and enveloped in a thick cloud, and the air was filled with sulphur fumes. It must have been another eruption, for the dust must have been sent a great distance in the air, because it traveled against the wind at a tremendously rapid rate."

HEAVY DOWNPOUR IN KANSAS.

First Floors of Buildings Were Flooded at Wichita.

Wichita, Kas., May 18.—A very heavy rain fell over the wheat belt of Southern Kansas to-day. For a time a tornado was threatened here, but the scare ended in a downpour of rain, which flooded the streets, the water flowing into the first floor of the Manhattan Hotel. No serious damage has been heard of so far.

A cloudburst is reported in Kingman County, but reports at the Santa Fe headquarters do not indicate important damage or loss of life.

THREE BRIDGES CARRIED AWAY.

Cloudburst at Sparta, Wis., Did Heavy Damage.

Sparta, Wis., May 18.—A cloudburst occurred in the northeastern portion of this county last night, doing much damage to farmers and railway companies. Three long bridges on the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul, near Oakdale, were carried away and the track was washed out in several places.

Several houses were unroofed, chimneys blown down and a number of small buildings wrecked. With the wind came a cloud of dust that badly frightened the people, but nobody was injured.

SEVERE STORM IN NEBRASKA.

Roundhouse and Residence Demolished at Fairfield.

Fairfield, Neb., May 18.—The worst storm of the season visited Fairfield at 6 o'clock to-day, wrecking the St. Joseph and Grand Island roundhouse and blowing to pieces the residence of Mr. Benedict. Several houses were unroofed, chimneys blown down and a number of small buildings wrecked. With the wind came a cloud of dust that badly frightened the people, but nobody was injured.

Good Rain in Cherokee Nation.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Vinita, I. T., May 18.—A heavy rain fell here this evening which seemed to be general and did much good to the wheat crop. In the northeastern part of Cherokee Nation a drought was on and the crops were badly in need of rain, and the farmers were becoming alarmed, but the ground is well soaked to-night.

Houses Blown From Foundations.

Mincola, Tex., May 18.—A heavy wind-storm, followed by rain, visited Mincola about 6 o'clock this morning. Hundreds of shade trees were blown up by the roots and otherwise damaged. Several houses were blown down from their foundations and otherwise damaged. Roofs of several stores were badly damaged, causing heavy losses in stocks of goods.

SEVENTY-FIVE KILLED.

SEVENTY-FIVE HURT, IN GOLIAD, TEX., TORNADO.

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MR. AND MRS. JOHN AUGUSTINE; badly hurt.

MRS. JOE SAVAGE; internal injuries.

MRS. SALLIE GOOD.

HOUSTON HEARS OF DISASTER.

Relief Parties Go to Scene—General Storm in Texas.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Houston, Tex., May 18.—A tornado struck the town of Goliad, Tex., this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock.

Among those reported among the dead in the Goliad calamity are the Stoppel family, four members, formerly of Dallas.

The storm of to-day over Texas was unusually general, extending from the Red River to Lower Gulf coast, a distance of fully 600 miles. In Northern Texas the storm was a continuation of the one that swept over Goliad with such terrible results.

LIFE AND PROPERTY SWEEP AWAY IN A BREATH.

As for the houses in the path of the storm, no power except the abatement of the disaster could have saved them, such was the force of the wind. Strong and substantial structures were swept away in the short space of a few seconds, and the unfortunate inmates were hurled about, then plumed beneath tons upon tons of debris, some enduring the most excruciating pain and suffering great agony, others being killed so quickly that it is doubtful if they knew the cause of their fate. Others were picked up by the wind and hurled against trees, houses and fences, mutilated almost beyond recognition.

RELIEF PARTIES FROM SURROUNDING TOWNS.